repairs, when necessary, to the temples. It is advisable to set apart half the income of the lands to be appropriated to repairs. If the *pujari* does not agree to this proposal, another with the consent of the villagers should be appointed. This would go a great way to improve the condition of the temples. [The instances of the temples at Matighatta and Channarayapatna were adduced, and it was stated that a petition on this subject had already been presented to the Deputy Commissioner.

Reply of Government.—If individual representations are submitted, the matter will receive due consideration.

Subject No. 46.

Feeding in Government Chattrams.

Mr. Tirumale Sri Rangachar Local Fund Board, Mysore Circle.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The feeding in several of the Government chattrams in the State has been discontinued, and the Brahmans so journing in them are consequently put to much inconvenience. Arrangements may be made for the feeding of Brahman travellers and pilgrims at convenient stations as was the case before.

Mr. Ramanarasaiya of Mandya Taluk.

(*b*) Owing to the smallness of Muzrai *tasdik*, feeding of the travelling public cannot be kept up in chattrams throughout the month. The local or charity fund may be made available for the purpose. [The instance of the Maddur chattram was cited.]

Reply of Government.—The question of redistribution of the Muzrai chattrams in the State, and the revival of the system of serving cooked-food in those chattrams where raw rations have been introduced, is under consideration of Government. Meanwhile, if any special relief is required in a particular instance, a separate representation may be made.

Subject No. 47.

Repairs of chattrams and temples.

Mr. A. Anniah Pandit of Chamarajnagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Deputy Commissioners may be empowered to sanction expenditure up to Rs. 50 for the repairs of chattrams and temples, recently revised by Government, from the savings at the credit of such institutions; or Divisional Officers may be directed to look after the institutions in their charge, under the general supervision of the Deputy Commissioner of the district. Decentralisation has not yet been effected in the Muzrai Department, and paltry matters and works have to go up to Government for sanction or orders.

Reply of Government.—The old powers of District officers will be restored.

Subject No. 48.

Candidates for Pandits' Examination.

Mr. A. Anniah Pandit of Chamrajnagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that arrangements may be made in the Maharaja's College, Mysore, for teaching the English language to candidates preparing for the Pandits' Examination so that they may be able to translate grammatically Sanskrit passages into English: just as a knowledge of the Vernacular forms part of the English course of studies, let English form part of the Pandits' Examination to the extent of ability to converse in English. At present, a Pandit and an unlearned man are unfortunately on the same level.

Reply of Government.—This will be enquired into.